



State Senator **NANCY CASSIS**

E-NEWS UPDATE

Road Funding

The new federal transportation budget passed recently and it includes funding for several important projects in our area. Scheduled road improvements are:

- Second Street between Warren and Hagadorn in South Lyon Township
- Haggerty Road from 14 Mile Richardson in Commerce Township
- Cooley Lake Road between Ripple Way and Havenwood Roads in White Lake Township
- Grand River Ave. between Novi and Haggerty roads in Novi
- Taft Road from Eight Mile to the city limits
- Maple Road, west of Decker to Welch Road in Walled Lake

This spring, I sponsored an amendment to require the Michigan Department of Transportation to fund the Wixom Road project for next year. The project was removed in an earlier round of budget cuts by Gov. Jennifer Granholm. I have pushed hard to have it reinstated. The matter is now before a legislative conference committee and negotiations with the governor continue over this vital improvement. This federal funding certainly strengthens the case for the work to continue.

Have you lost something?

What if you lost something you never knew you had?

The state Department of Treasury has accumulated millions of dollars in unclaimed checks, stock certificates and valuables abandoned in safety deposit boxes. Many people may not even be aware of items willed or designated for them.

An online resource is available for residents looking for unclaimed property. The address is <http://www.michigan.gov/treasury> and it is part of the Michigan.gov web site family. Click on the "Unclaimed Property" link on the right. Have a look and see what's out there. You may be surprised by what you find.

Other online resources

Speaking of online resources, it is now possible to download many interesting state publications directly from the legislative web site at <http://www.legislature.mi.gov/mileg.asp?Page=Publications>. You can find everything from citizens' guides and services for seniors to coloring books.

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